

A FREE MTLPAGES GUIDE

The Montreal Wedding Planning Guide

From setting the budget to the run of show, with the verified vendor categories in the directory.

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HOW TO USE THIS GUIDE

Work through the checklist in order. Each section is a stage of the process, and the steps inside it are things you actually have to do or decide. Tick them off as you go — the interactive version at mtlpages.com/checklists/wedding-checklist-montreal/ keeps your progress in your browser.

The checklist

Timelines vary with the season and venue demand. The civil formalities follow Quebec rules.

1. FOUNDATIONS

- ☐ Set the total budget and the split by category
- ☐ Determine the guest count
- ☐ Choose the season and a date
- ☐ Decide whether to hire a planner

2. VENUE & CATERING

- ☐ Visit venues and check availability
- ☐ Confirm capacity and restrictions
- ☐ Choose the caterer and arrange a tasting
- ☐ Check the alcohol permit and who holds it

3. CIVIL FORMALITIES

- ☐ Check the documents required in Quebec
- ☐ Confirm the officiant and their authority
- ☐ Respect the applicable publication timelines
- ☐ Check the official source rather than a blog

4. VENDORS

- ☐ Photographer and videographer
- ☐ Florist and decor
- ☐ DJ or band
- ☐ Hair and makeup
- ☐ Rings and jewelry
- ☐ Transport and guest accommodation

5. FINAL WEEK

- ☐ Confirm times with every vendor
- ☐ Share the run of show
- ☐ Prepare final payments and gratuities
- ☐ Prepare an emergency kit

Calculators that go with this guide

Each calculator runs on the numbers you enter. None of them assumes a market price or predicts a rate.

Wedding Budget Calculator Montreal

The total is the sum of your categories. The percentage breakdown shows where the budget actually goes — often different from what couples first assume.

mtlpages.com/calculators/wedding-budget-calculator-montreal/

What the calculation assumes

- No market prices are applied: the amounts are yours.
- Taxes and gratuities are not added automatically.
- The civil formalities of marriage (documents, officiant, publication) follow Quebec rules — check the official source.

The numbers to gather

Venue

Catering

Photography

Videography

Flowers & decor

Music (DJ or band)

Hair & makeup

Attire

Rings & jewelry

Transport & hotel

Wedding planner

Other

Official sources

Amounts, thresholds, tariffs and deadlines change. This guide deliberately does not reproduce them, so it stays correct as it ages. Check the current figure at the source:

Québec.ca — Mariage et union civile

<https://www.quebec.ca/famille-et-soutien-aux-personnes/mariage-union-civile>

Finding the right professional

MTLPages is a Montreal business directory. Browse verified local professionals for every step of this guide at mtlpages.com. We are a directory: we do not provide the services listed here and we do not take a position on which business you should choose.

NOTICE

This checklist is a planning aid. It is not legal advice. Marriage formalities are set by the Government of Quebec.

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Notes

Space to write down quotes, names, dates and questions as you go.